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FOR COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR

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SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON DEFENSE-ORIENTED INDUSTRIES AND
SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS IN WESTERN EUROPE

REF: STATE 257011 DATED OCTOBER 27, 1977

1. COMMERCIAL SECTION OF THE EMBASSY WILL SOON BE RECEIVING
A CLASSIFIED AIRGRAM BEARING SAME SUBJECT AS ONE ON THIS
MESSAGE. THE REQUEST CONTAINED IN THAT AIRGRAM IS PART OF
THE CONTINUED INTERAGENCY EFFORT DESCRIBED IN THE REFTEL
TO DEVELOP INFORMATION ON SUBJECT INDUSTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS
IN WESTERN EUROPE. INFORMATION RECEIVED THUS FAR IN
WASHINGTON IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL HAS BEEN EXTREMELY VALUABLE.

2. THE AIRGRAM THAT THE EMBASSY WILL BE RECEIVING REQUESTS
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ITS COMMENTS AND REACTION TO A PROPOSAL THAT THE POST PRE-
PARE AND SUBMIT: (A) A LISTING OF DEFENSE-ORIENTED MANU-
FACTURERS, EXPORTERS, AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, AND (B)
VOLUNTARY WORLD TRADERS DATA REPORTS AND SELECTED SUPPLE-
MENTAL DATA ON THESE FIRMS SUCH AS PUBLISHED ANNUAL REPORTS.

3. THE REFTEL PROVIDES IMPORTANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION

RELATING TO THE PROPOSAL CONTAINED IN THE AIRGRAM THE POSTS

WILL SOON BE RECEIVING. IN ADDITION, THE REFTEL DESCRIBES
THE SPECIAL SENSITIVITY ATTACHED TO THE COLLECTION OF THE
NEEDED INFORMATION.

4. EMBASSY COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR IS ADVISED THAT IF POSTS
AGREE TO UNDERTAKE THE TASK OUTLINED IN THE AIRGRAM,
SPECIAL HANDLING PROCEDURES WOULD HAVE TO BE ESTABLISHED
IN THE COMMERCIAL SECTION AS WELL AS WITH THE CONSULATES
IN COUNTRY TO COLLECT THE INFORMATION NEEDED. POST IS
CONSIDERED THE BEST JUDGE AS TO THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO
PROCEED WITHOUT RAISING SENSITIVITIES OF THE HOST
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